

114th. All wrecks, mines, minerals, quarries of gems and precious stones, with pearl fishing, whale fishing, and one half of all ambergris, by whomsoever found, shall wholly belong to the Lords Proprietors.

115th. All revenues and profits, belonging to the Lords Proprietors, in common, shall be divided into ten parts, whereof the palatine shall have three, and each proprietor one ; but if the palatine shall govern by a deputy, the deputy shall have one of those three tenths, and the palatine the other two tenths.

116th. All inhabitants and freemen of Carolina, above seventeen years of age, and under sixty, shall be bound to bear arms, and serve as soldiers, whenever the grand council shall find it necessary.

117th. A true copy of these Fundamental constitutions shall be kept in a great book, by the register of every precinct, to be subscribed before the said register. Nor shall any person of what degree or condition soever, above seventeen years old, have any estate or possession in Carolina, or protection or benefit of the law there, who hath not, before a precinct register, subscribed these fundamental constitutions, in this form :

“I, A. B., do promise to bear faith, and true allegiance, to our sovereign Lord King Charles the second, his heirs and successors, and will be true and faithful to the Palatine and Lords Proprietors of Carolina, their heirs and successors ; and with my utmost power, will defend them and maintain the government, according to this establishment in these fundamental Constitutions.”

118th. Whatsoever alien shall in this form, before any precinct Register, subscribe these fundamental constitutions, shall be thereby naturalized.

119th. In the same manner shall every person, at his admittance into any office, subscribe these fundamental constitutions.

120th. These fundamental constitutions, in number a hundred and twenty, and every part thereof, shall be and remain, the sacred and unalterable form and rule of government of Carolina forever. Witness our hands and seals the first day of March, 1669.

## RULES OF PRECEDENCY.

1st. The Lords Proprietors ; the eldest in age first, and so in order.

2d. The eldest sons of the Lords Proprietors ; the eldest in age first, and so in order.

3d. The Landgraves of the grand council, he that hath been longest of the grand council first, and so in order.

4th. The Casiques of the grand council ; he that hath been longest of the grand council first, and so in order.

5th. The seven Commoners of the grand council, that have been longest of the grand council ; he that hath been longest of the grand council first, and so in order.

6th. The younger sons of the Proprietors ; the eldest first ; and so in order.